

Community Services Block Grant

From the FY 2010 Community Services Block Grant Information System (CSBG IS) Survey

California

CSBG Allocation, FY 2010:

\$62,041,267

Amount leveraged by Community Action from other sources, for every \$1 of CSBG

\$24.14 Federal Resources

\$7.58 State, Local, and Private Resources

\$31.72 Total Resources

Network Coverage in the State

61 Agencies

99% Counties covered by Community Action

Addressing the Root Causes of Poverty

CSBG is a nationwide network that works efficiently to address economic disparity across our country. While there are many federal programs that seek to address poverty in a piecemeal fashion, CSBG is the only investment exclusively focused on reducing poverty. It is a common sense strategy that effectively uses a powerful mix of federal, state, and local resources to address the problems that lead to systemic poverty. CSBG allows states to strategically target the root causes of poverty on a local level. In the last year alone, the CSBG Network served 24% of all families in poverty and reduced or eliminated 37.2 million conditions of poverty.

State CSBG administrators coordinate with other federal, state, and local programs, creating a synergy that improves efficiency, access, and results for low-income individuals and communities. Administration on a state level also provides robust accountability and oversight, tracking metrics such as employment, education, housing, and health.

In 2010, CA Community Action Served:

3,550,033 Individuals 820,329 Families

Participants Included:

73%	with incomes at or below the Federal
	Poverty Guideline (FPG)

- 34% in severe poverty with incomes at or below 50% of the FPG
- 31% "working poor" families relying on wages or unemployment insurance
- 15% families in which at least one family member was a retired worker

433,584 children

182,385 adults who had not completed high school

98,339 people with disabilities

Community Engagement

Volunteer hours donated to Community Action: 2,725,327

Number of Partnerships: 12,231

Uses of CSBG Funds by Community Action

Employment	16.9%	Nutrition	9.1%
Education	15.7%	Linkages	6.3%
Income Management	3.6%	Self Sufficiency	12.5%
Housing	5.0%	Health	3.3%
Emergency Services	16.6%	Other	11.0%



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Performance Outcomes for California

Conditions of poverty reduced or eliminated by the CA CSBG Network in FY 2010: 4,988,759

These conditions were measured by:

Gained Employment or Obtained Supports to Reduce or Eliminate Barriers to Employment

Low-income participants in CSBG Network employment initiatives obtained supports which reduced or eliminated barriers to initial or continuous employment, acquired a job, obtained an increase in employment income, or achieved "living wage" employment and benefits.

Increased Economic Asset Enhancement and Utilization

160,117 Low-income households achieved an increase in financial assets or financial skills as a result of CSBG Network assistance.

Improved Child and Family Development

442,683 Infants, children, youth, parents, and other adults participated in developmental or enrichment programs facilitated by the CSBG Network and achieved program goals.

Secured Independent Living for Low-Income Vulnerable Populations

351,864 Low-income vulnerable individuals received services from the CSBG Network and maintained an independent living situation as a result.

Obtained Supports to Reduce or Eliminate Barriers to Family Stability

327,932 Low-income participants obtained supports which reduced or eliminated barriers to family stability through assistance from the CSBG Network.

Obtained Emergency Assistance

2,980,279 Low-income individuals and families received emergency assistance from the CSBG Network.

Expanded Community Opportunities and Resources

159,725 Community opportunities or resources were improved or increased for low-income people as a result of CSBG Network projects or initiatives, or advocacy with other public and private agencies.

Empowered Communities through Maximum Feasible Participation

201,091 Community members and low-income people mobilized to engage in activities that support and promote their own well-being and that of their community as a direct result of CSBG Network initiatives.